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Foreign Office gave us British Government's official reply  
re proposed visit by Kersten committee to London. There would  
be no objection, provided:

- (1) No public hearings of formal nature were held and inquiry  
was conducted inconspicuously. (Open interviews in hotel  
or private premises, without publicity, would be satisfactory).
- (2) Findings were not publicized while committee in UK.
- (3) Any approach to individual for testimony was demonstrably  
an invitation which recipient was free to refuse if he chose.

HMG would also prefer, but did not stipulate as condition,  
that only Kersten (or some single member of committee), with  
such staff assistants as necessary, rather than full committee,  
would conduct the inquiry here.

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State Dept. review completed